

# Nyström methods for the exterior Stokes equations

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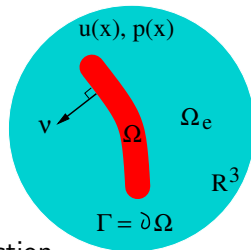
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# Introduction

**Goal.** To compute the Stokes traction integral  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathbb{R}$  for given data  $U, \eta : \Gamma \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \mu \Delta u &= \nabla p && \text{in } \Omega_e \\ \nabla \cdot u &= 0 && \text{in } \Omega_e \\ u &= U && \text{on } \Gamma \\ u, p &\rightarrow 0 && \text{as } |x| \rightarrow \infty \end{aligned}$$



$$\sigma \nu = \left[ \mu(\nabla u + \nabla u^T) - pI \right] \nu \quad \text{surface traction}$$

$$\mathcal{F} = \int_{\Gamma} \eta \cdot \sigma \nu \, dA \quad \text{traction integral.}$$

**Applications.** Modeling of diffusion and transport of particles; molecular separation, mixing techniques; fluid-structure interaction.

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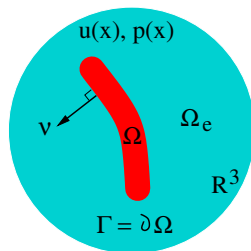
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# Formulation

## Formulation

**Setup.** In dimensionless form, the equations are

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$$\sigma\nu = \left[ \nabla u + \nabla u^T - pl \right] \nu$$

$$\mathcal{F} = \int_{\Gamma} \eta \cdot \sigma\nu \, dA.$$

**Approach.** Reformulate problem using classic single- and double-layer potentials.

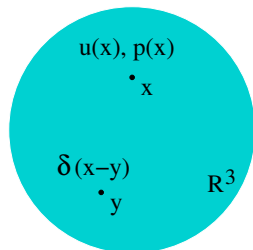
# Fundamental solutions

## Free-space equations.

$$\Delta u = \nabla p + f \quad \text{in } \mathbb{R}^3$$

$$\nabla \cdot u = g \quad \text{in } \mathbb{R}^3$$

$$u, p \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } |x| \rightarrow \infty.$$



## Classic solutions.

Pt-force (Stokeslet)	$G^u(x, y), G^p(x, y)$	$f \propto \delta(x - y)$
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Pt-source	$Q^u(x, y), Q^p(x, y)$	$g \propto \delta(x - y)$
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Stresslet	$H^u(x, y), H^p(x, y)$	(linear combo).
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## Single-layer potentials

**Definition.** By the single-layer potentials for  $(u, p, \sigma)$  with density  $\psi : \Gamma \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  we mean

$$u_i(x) = \int_{\Gamma} G_{ij}^u(x, y) \psi_j(y) dA_y$$

$$p(x) = \int_{\Gamma} G_j^p(x, y) \psi_j(y) dA_y$$

$$\sigma_{ik}(x) = \int_{\Gamma} G_{ikj}^{\sigma}(x, y) \psi_j(y) dA_y$$

$$G_{ij}^u(x, y) = \frac{\delta_{ij}}{r} + \frac{z_i z_j}{r^3}, \quad G_j^p(x, y) = \frac{2z_j}{r^3}$$

$$G_{ikj}^{\sigma}(x, y) = -\frac{6z_i z_k z_j}{r^5}, \quad z = x - y, \quad r = |z|.$$

**Note.** They satisfy Stokes in  $\Omega_e$ ; representation has limited range; traction  $\sigma \nu$  is *weakly-singular* on  $\Gamma$ .

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$$H_{ij}^u(x, y) = \frac{3z_i z_j z \cdot \nu}{r^5}, \quad H_j^p(x, y) = -\frac{2\nu_j}{r^3} + \frac{6z_j z \cdot \nu}{r^5}$$

$$H_{ikj}^{\sigma} = \frac{2\delta_{ik}\nu_j}{r^3} + \frac{3(\delta_{ij}z_k z \cdot \nu + \delta_{jk}z_i z \cdot \nu + \nu_i z_j z_k + \nu_k z_i z_j)}{r^5} - \frac{30z_i z_j z_k z \cdot \nu}{r^7}.$$

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## Proposed formulation

**Description.** For the exterior problem, we propose a mixed-layer formulation with a parallel surface.

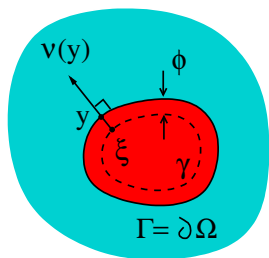
$$u(x) = \lambda \int_{\gamma} G^u(x, \xi) \psi(y(\xi)) dA_{\xi} + (1 - \lambda) \int_{\Gamma} H^u(x, y) \psi(y) dA_y$$

$p(x), \sigma(x)$  represented similarly

$0 < \lambda < 1$  interpolation parameter

$\gamma$  parallel surface

$0 < \phi < \phi_{\Gamma}$  offset parameter.



**Note.** Interpolation leads to a complete range; parallel surface is convenient for numerics.

## Boundary integral equation

For given data  $U : \Gamma \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ , the density  $\psi : \Gamma \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  is determined by the condition

$$\lim_{\substack{x_o \rightarrow x \\ x_o \in \Omega^e}} u(x_o) = U(x), \quad \forall x \in \Gamma.$$

Equivalently

$$\mathcal{G}\psi + \mathcal{H}\psi + c\psi = U$$

where

$$c = 2\pi(1 - \lambda)$$

$$\mathcal{G}\psi(x) = \int_{\gamma} G(x, \xi) \psi(y(\xi)) dA_{\xi}, \quad G(x, \xi) = \lambda G^u(x, \xi)$$

$$\mathcal{H}\psi(x) = \int_{\Gamma} H(x, y) \psi(y) dA_y, \quad H(x, y) = (1 - \lambda) H^u(x, y).$$

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**Theorem (Hebeker).** There exists a unique density  $\psi \in C^0$  for any closed, bounded Lyapunov surface  $\Gamma \in C^{1,1}$ , offset parameter  $\phi \in (0, \phi_\Gamma)$ , interpolation parameter  $\lambda \in (0, 1)$  and data  $U \in C^0$ .

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**Theorem.** If  $\Gamma \in C^{1,1}$ ,  $\psi \in C^{0,1}$  and  $\eta \in C^{0,\alpha}$  ( $\alpha > 0$ ), then  $\mathcal{F}$  exists and can be expressed as a weakly-singular integral depending only pointwise on  $\psi$  and  $\eta$ , namely

$$\mathcal{F} = \int_{\Gamma} \int_{\Gamma} K[\eta, \psi](x, y) \, dA_x dA_y.$$

## Traction integral kernel

$$\begin{aligned}
 K[\eta, \psi](x, y) = & \eta_i(x) G_{ikj}(x, y) \psi_j(y) \nu_k(x) \\
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$$G = \lambda J_\phi G^\sigma, \quad H = (1 - \lambda) H^\sigma, \quad \hat{g}(x, y) = g(x) - g(y).$$

# Method



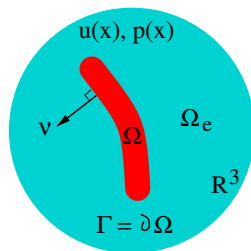
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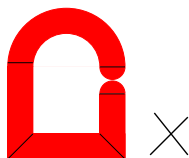
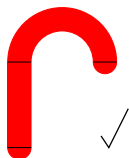


**Approach.** Consider Nyström-type method on BIE formulation.

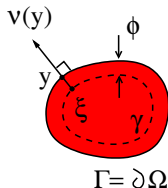
$$\mathfrak{G}\psi + \mathfrak{H}\psi + c\psi = U, \quad \mathcal{F} = \int_{\Gamma} \int_{\Gamma} K[\eta, \psi](x, y) \, dA_x dA_y.$$

## Surface, kernels

**Assumption (A0).**  $\Gamma \in C^{m+1,1}$ ,  $m \geq 0$ , closed, bdd, Lyapunov.



**Assumption (A1).**  $\mathcal{G}\psi(x) = \int_{\gamma} G(x, \xi)\psi(y(\xi))dA_{\xi}$ .  $G$  class  $C^{m,1}$ .



$$y = \xi + \phi\nu(\xi)$$

$$\nu(y) = \nu(\xi).$$

## Surface, kernels

**Assumption (A2).**  $\mathcal{H}\psi(x) = \int_{\Gamma} H(x, y)\psi(y) dA_y$ .  $H$  weakly-singular; class  $C^{m,1}$  away from diagonal. Moreover

$$H(x, y) = \frac{g(x, y)}{|x - y|}, \quad \forall x \neq y$$

$g(x, y)$  bounded; class  $C^{m+1}$  in  $x$ ; class  $C^m$  in  $y$

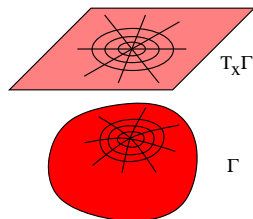
$$|D_x^\alpha g|, |D_y^\alpha g| \leq \frac{C}{|x - y|^{|\alpha|}}, \quad \forall x \neq y$$

$D_x, D_y$  are surface derivatives;  $\alpha$  is multi-index.

## Surface, kernels

**Assumption (A3).** For each  $x \in \Gamma$  we assume

(i)  $g(x, y)|_{y=y(\rho, \theta)}$  class  $C^{0,1}$  in  $(\rho, \theta)$



(ii)  $\lim_{\substack{\rho \rightarrow 0 \\ \theta \text{ fixed}}} g(x, y) = \lim_{\substack{\rho \rightarrow 0 \\ \theta + \pi \text{ fixed}}} g(x, y)$

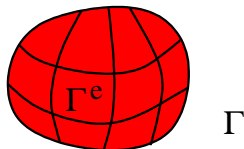
(iii)  $g(x, y) - \lim_{\substack{\rho \rightarrow 0 \\ \theta(y) \text{ fixed}}} g(x, y)$  class  $C^{0,1}$  in  $y$ .

# Mesh

**Assumption (A4).** We consider a decomposition of  $\Gamma$  into non-overlapping quadrature elements  $\Gamma^e$ ,  $e = 1 \dots E$ . We assume

$$Ch^2 \leq |\Gamma^e| \leq C'h^2, \quad \forall e, E$$

$$h = \max_e \{\text{diam}(\Gamma^e)\}.$$



## Quadrature rule

**Assumption (A5).** In each  $\Gamma^e$  we introduce nodes  $x_q^e$  and weights  $W_q^e > 0$ ,  $q = 1 \dots Q$ , such that

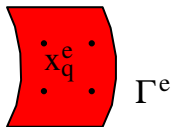
$$\int_{\Gamma} f(x) dA_x = \sum_e \int_{\Gamma^e} f(x) dA_x \doteq \sum_e \sum_q f(x_q^e) W_q^e.$$

We assume

$$Ch^2 \leq \sum_q W_q^e \leq C'h^2$$

$$Ch \leq \text{dist}(x_q^e, \partial\Gamma^e) \leq h \quad \forall q, e, E.$$

$$Ch \leq \min_{\substack{e \neq e' \\ q \neq q'}} |x_q^e - x_{q'}^{e'}| \leq h$$



## Quadrature error

**Assumption (A6).** We consider quadrature errors defined by

$$\tau(e, f, h) = \frac{1}{|\Gamma^e|} \left| \int_{\Gamma^e} f(x) dA_x - \sum_q f(x_q^e) W_q^e \right|.$$

We assume

$$\max_e \tau(e, f, h) \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } h \rightarrow 0, \quad \forall f \in C^0$$

$$\max_e \tau(e, f, h) \leq C_f h^\ell, \quad \forall f \in C^{\ell-1,1}$$

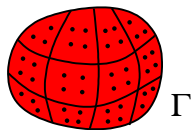
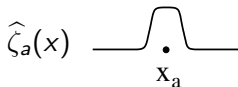
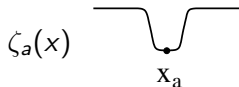
$\ell \geq 1$  is order of quadrature rule.

## Nodal partition of unity functions

**Assumption (A7).** To each node  $x_a$ ,  $a = (q, e)$  we associate functions  $\zeta_a, \hat{\zeta}_a \in C^0$ . We assume

$$\zeta_a(x), \hat{\zeta}_a(x) \in [0, 1], \quad \zeta_a(x) + \hat{\zeta}_a(x) = 1, \quad \forall x \in \Gamma$$

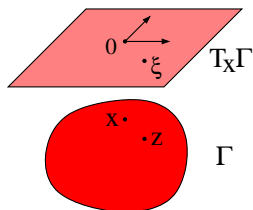
$$\zeta_a(x) \leq \frac{C|x - x_a|^2}{h^2}, \quad \text{diam}(\text{supp}(\hat{\zeta}_a)) \leq Ch.$$





## Local polynomials

**Definition.** In a neighborhood of any given  $x \in \Gamma$  we can define a local poly  $R_x(z)$  of any given degree.



$\xi_x(z)$  is projection of  $z - x$  onto  $T_x\Gamma$

$$R_x(z) = C_x + C_x^\alpha \xi_x^\alpha(z) + C_x^{\alpha\beta} \xi_x^\alpha(z) \xi_x^\beta(z) + \dots$$

**Note.**  $R_x(z)$  is well-defined in a neighborhood of  $x$ ; there is a uniform bound on the size of this neighborhood.

## Discretized operators

**Definition.** For any given degree  $p \geq 0$  we define discretized operators by

$$\mathcal{G}_h\psi(x) = \sum_b G(x, x_b)\psi(x_b)W_b$$

$$\mathcal{H}_h\psi(x) = \sum_b \left[ \zeta_b(x)H(x, x_b)\psi(x_b)W_b + \hat{\zeta}_b(x)R_x(x_b)\psi(x_b) \right]$$

where  $R_x(z)$  is a local poly at  $x$  of degree  $p$  defined such that

$$\mathcal{H}_hf(x) = \mathcal{H}f(x) \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{for all local polys } f \\ \text{at } x \text{ of degree } \leq p. \end{array}$$

**Assumption (A8).** The coeffs of  $R_x(z)$  are unique and bounded for all  $h > 0$ .

## Discretized equation

Given data  $U$  we seek an approximate density  $\psi_h$  such that

$$\mathcal{G}_h\psi_h(x) + \mathcal{H}_h\psi_h(x) + c\psi_h(x) = U(x), \quad \forall x \in \Gamma.$$

Any solution  $\psi_h$  can be constructed in two steps

(i) Solve nodal equations

$$\mathcal{G}_h\psi_h(x_a) + \mathcal{H}_h\psi_h(x_a) + c\psi_h(x_a) = U(x_a), \quad \forall a.$$

(ii) Interpolate nodal values

$$\psi_h(x) = \frac{1}{c} \left[ U(x) - \mathcal{G}_h\psi_h(x) - \mathcal{H}_h\psi_h(x) \right], \quad \forall x \in \Gamma.$$

## Illustration: method with $p = 0$

**Partition of unity.** We can choose  $\zeta_a(x)$  and  $\hat{\zeta}_a(x)$  such that

$$\zeta_a(x_b) = 1 - \delta_{ab} \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \\ \bullet \quad \bullet \quad \bullet \\ x_a \end{array} \quad \hat{\zeta}_a(x_b) = \delta_{ab} \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \\ \bullet \quad \bullet \quad \bullet \\ x_a \end{array}$$

**Local polynomial.**  $R_x(z) = C_x$  for each  $x \in \Gamma$ . Moment condition gives

$$C_x = \frac{\int_{\Gamma} H(x, y) dA_y - \sum_b \zeta_b(x) H(x, x_b) W_b}{\sum_b \hat{\zeta}_b(x)}.$$

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**Nodal equations.** For each node  $x_a$  we get

$$\sum_b G(x_a, x_b) \psi_h(x_b) W_b + \sum_{b \neq a} H(x_a, x_b) [\psi_h(x_b) - \psi_h(x_a)] W_b = U(x_a).$$

**Interpolation equation.** At any  $x$  we have

$$\psi_h(x) = \frac{1}{c} \left[ U(x) - \sum_b G(x, x_b) \psi_h(x_b) W_b - \sum_b \zeta_b(x) H(x, x_b) \psi_h(x_b) W_b - \sum_b \hat{\zeta}_b(x) C_x \psi_h(x_b) \right].$$

## Solvability, convergence result

**Setup.** Consider method with a quad rule of order  $\ell \geq 1$  and a local poly of degree  $p \geq 0$ . The original and discretized eqs are

$$\mathcal{G}\psi + \mathcal{H}\psi + c\psi = U \quad (1)$$

$$\mathcal{G}_h\psi_h + \mathcal{H}_h\psi_h + c\psi_h = U. \quad (2)$$

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**Theorem.** Assume (A0)–(A8). If (1) has a unique solution, then so does (2) for all  $h > 0$  sufficiently small. If  $\Gamma \in C^{m+1,1}$  and  $\psi \in C^{m,1}$ , then as  $h \rightarrow 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \|\psi - \psi_h\|_\infty &\rightarrow 0 & \forall \ell \geq 1, p \geq 0, m \geq 0 \\ \|\psi - \psi_h\|_\infty &\leq Ch & \forall \ell \geq 1, p = 0, m \geq 1 \\ \|\psi - \psi_h\|_\infty &\leq Ch^{\min(\ell, p, m)} & \forall \ell \geq 1, p \geq 1, m \geq 1. \end{aligned}$$

## Idea of proof

**Sketch.** Pf is based on theory of collectively cmpct ops on  $C^0$ .  
We show

- (i)  $\mathcal{G}_h f(x), \mathcal{H}_h f(x)$  equibounded for given  $f$ .
- (ii)  $\mathcal{G}_h f(x), \mathcal{H}_h f(x)$  equicontinuous for given  $f$ .
- (iii)  $\mathcal{G}_h f \rightarrow \mathcal{G}f, \mathcal{H}_h f \rightarrow \mathcal{H}f$  in  $C^0$  for given  $f$ .

We estimate

- (iv)  $\|\mathcal{G}f - \mathcal{G}_h f\|_\infty$  and  $\|\mathcal{H}f - \mathcal{H}_h f\|_\infty$  for given  $f$ .

Then by collective compactness we have

$$\|\psi - \psi_h\|_\infty \leq C\|(\mathcal{G} - \mathcal{G}_h)\psi + (\mathcal{H} - \mathcal{H}_h)\psi\|_\infty.$$





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Equiboundedness of  $\mathcal{H}_h$ .

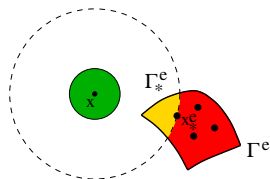
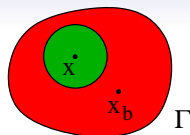
$$\left| \sum_{\text{red}} \zeta_b(x) H(x, x_b) f(x_b) W_b \right|$$

$$\leq \underbrace{\sum_e \sum_q}_{\text{red}} \frac{|g(x, x_q^e)|}{|x - x_q^e|} |f(x_q^e)| W_q^e$$

$$\leq \sum_{e \in \text{red}} \frac{C}{|x - x_*^e|} \|f\| \left( \sum_q W_q^e \right)$$

$$\leq \sum_{e \in \text{red}} \frac{C |\Gamma_*^e|}{|x - x_*^e|} \|f\|$$

$$\leq \sum_{e \in \text{red}} C \int_{\Gamma_*^e} \frac{1}{|x - y|} dA_y \|f\| \leq C \|f\|.$$



$$C |\Gamma^e| \leq |\Gamma_*^e| \leq |\Gamma^e|$$

## Idea of proof

**Estimate of**  $\|\mathcal{H}f - \mathcal{H}_h f\|$

$f \in C^{m,1}$ ,  $x \in \Gamma$  given.

Quadrature rule of order  $\ell$  given.

$T_x^p f$  local Taylor poly at  $x$  of degree  $p$ .

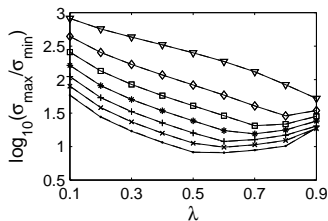
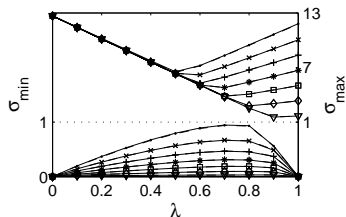
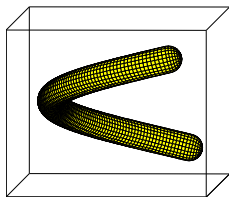
$\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{H}_h$  equal on local polys at  $x$  of degree  $p$ .

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathcal{H}f(x) - \mathcal{H}_h f(x)| &= |\mathcal{H}(f - T_x^p f)(x) - \mathcal{H}_h(f - T_x^p f)(x)| \\ &\leq Ch^{\min(\ell, p, m)}, \quad \forall \ell \geq 1, p \geq 1, m \geq 1 \\ &\quad \text{uniformly in } x. \end{aligned}$$

$$\left[ p = 0 \quad \& \quad \text{anti-podal condition} \right] \doteq \left[ p = 1 \quad \& \quad O(h) \text{ terms} \right].$$

# Examples

# Method with $p = 0$ , $\ell = 1$ : conditioning vs $\lambda$ , $\phi$



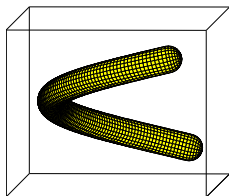
$\lambda \in (0, 1)$  interpolation param

$\phi \in (0, \phi_\Gamma)$  offset surface param

$\phi/\phi_\Gamma = \frac{1}{8}$  (dots),  $\frac{2}{8}$  (crosses),  $\frac{3}{8}$  (pluses),  $\dots$ ,  $\frac{7}{8}$  (triangles)

Condition number  $\frac{\sigma_{\max}}{\sigma_{\min}} \leq 10^{1.5}$  for  $(\lambda, \phi/\phi_\Gamma)$  near  $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$

# Method with $p = 0$ : traction integral accuracy vs $h$

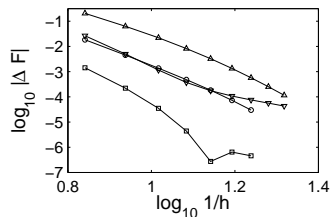
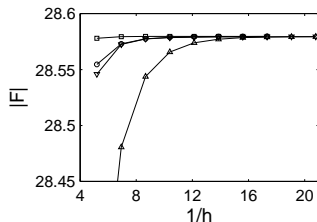


BC: rotation about horizontal

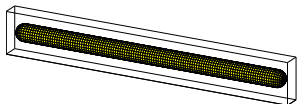
Traction integral: total force

Results for  $\ell = 1, 2$  and various  $\lambda, \phi$

Convergence is visible; limited by iterative solver; apparent rate is  $> 1$



# Method with $p = 0$ : traction integral accuracy vs $h$

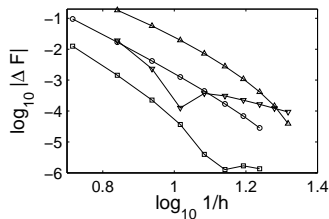
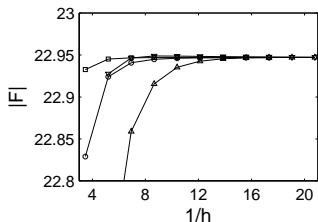


BC: transverse translation

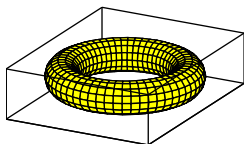
Traction integral: total force

Results for  $\ell = 1, 2$  and various  $\lambda, \phi$

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# Method with $p = 0$ : traction integral accuracy vs $h$

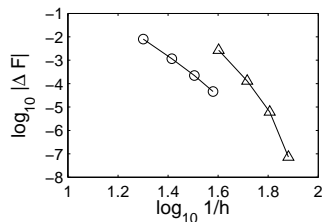
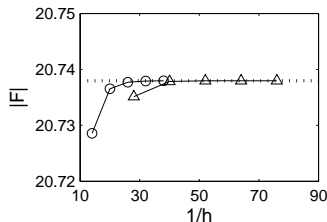


BC: translation along  $z$ -axis

Traction integral: force along  $z$ -axis

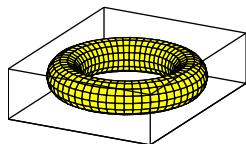
Results for  $\ell = 1, 2$  and  $\lambda = 1/2$ ,  $\phi/\phi_\Gamma = 1/2$

Convergence is visible; apparent rate is  $> 1$





# Method with $p = 0$ : traction integral accuracy vs $h$

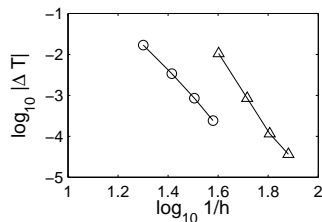
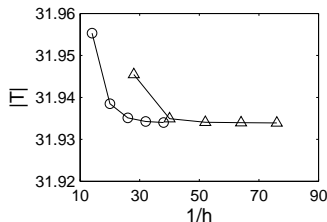


BC: rotation about z-axis

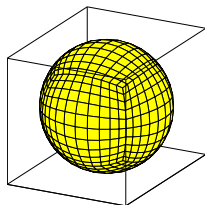
Traction integral: torque about z-axis

Results for  $\ell = 1, 2$  and  $\lambda = 1/2$ ,  $\phi/\phi_\Gamma = 1/2$

Convergence is visible; apparent rate is  $> 1$



# Method with $p = 0$ : traction integral accuracy vs $h$

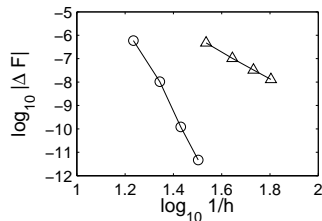
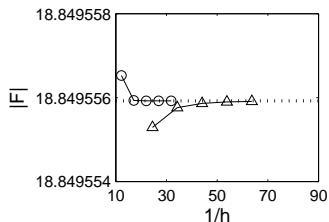


BC: translation

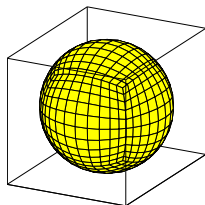
Traction integral: total force

Results for  $\ell = 1, 2$  and  $\lambda = 1/2$ ,  $\phi/\phi_\Gamma = 1/2$

Convergence is visible; apparent rate is  $> 1$



# Method with $\rho = 0$ : traction integral accuracy vs $h$

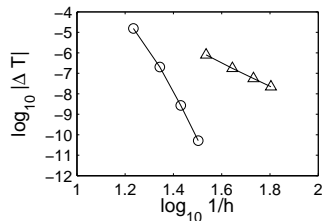
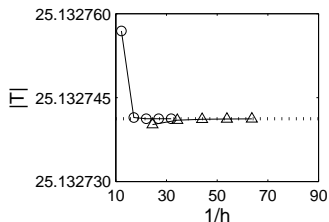


BC: rotation

Traction integral: total torque

Results for  $\ell = 1, 2$  and  $\lambda = 1/2$ ,  $\phi/\phi_\Gamma = 1/2$

Convergence is visible; apparent rate is  $> 1$



## Summary

- Mixed-layer formulation is complete for exterior Stokes.
- Traction integral has nice characterization.
- Nyström w/local polynomial is provably convergent.
- Lowest-order method is extremely simple.
- Open quad rule, anti-podal symmetry seem important.

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